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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed April 17, 2007 in the above-identified United States Patent Application, for which a response is due July 17, 2007. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination and the appropriate fee. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims, as amended, in light of the Remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.